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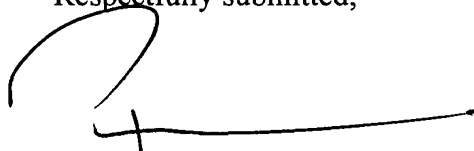
Applicants have revised the specification to reflect the updated priority data. Claims 1, 3, 7, 9, and 11 have been amended. Claim 2 has been canceled.

Claims 1, 7 and 11 have been amended to recite a nerve regeneration device comprising a polyhydroxyalkanoate (PHA) polymer in the form of a porous conduit, wherein the polyhydroxyalkanoate polymer comprises 4-hydroxybutyrate as described at page 4, lines 29-31.

Claim 3 has been amended to correct the dependency. Claim 9 has been amended to delete the reference to claim 1.

No new matter has been added by way of this Preliminary Amendment, entry of which is respectfully requested.

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